



Important Dates

Whole School Mass
Friday 29 July

Community Coffee
Catchup - 8.45am in
the Beehive
Thursday 4 August

Learning
Conversations -
Week 3
Monday 8 August

Mary MacKillop
Mass
Friday 12 August

Open Day -
Principal Tour 9-
10.30am
Wednesday 24 August

Open Day -
Principal Tour 5-
6pm
Wednesday 24 August

Official Opening /
25 year Anniversary
TWCS
Thursday 22 September

Message from the Principal



Well, what a term we have had. When I look back over the past 8 weeks of learning, experiences, friendship and challenges, I am overwhelmed by the way our community of learners continues to show great resilience, determination, compassion and pride for

themselves and each other. On behalf of all the staff, thank you.

Last week we officially welcomed 14 young people to our community when they started the Little Wonders Long Transition program in preparation for starting their time in Reception in Term 3. Wonderfully led by their classroom teacher, Mrs Olivia Fechner, the children will be joining our school each Wednesday during Term 2 as they come to get to know what it means to be a child at Tenison Woods Catholic School. We still have some places left in our Mid Year Reception class, so if you know of anyone still looking for a fantastic school to send their children, why not mention TWCS!

There are some very special Congratulations to be made:

The Rec – Yr 6 Dance Assembly

During Week 6, we were all amazed by the quality of the Dance Performances of all classes under the guidance of our Performing Arts Teacher, Miss Kate Mainprize. The children have been working extremely hard this semester to fine tune a full dance performance for their peers. Congratulations to Miss Mainprize and all the children for a fantastic performance, if you haven't already seen them on Seesaw, they are certainly worth having a look.

An Active Community

This term we have had numerous opportunities for the children to represent our school at sporting carnivals/competitions. As well as the several sporting teams we have competing at the moment, children have participated in SACPSSA Lacrosse and Netball carnivals and the Yr 5/6 9-a-side football team competing for the Westies Cup. These opportunities are made possible through the great support of our Physical Education Teacher, Katie Cummings.

The Democracy Sausage

During the recent Federal Election, the TWCS Parents and Friends Committee once again proved to be a well-oiled machine and organised a very successful 'Democracy Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale'. The event raised nearly \$3,000 for the school. A very special thank you to all who supported the event through volunteering their time, baking for the Bake Sale or just turning up to buy a snag. We have received a few enrolment enquiries from the event, with wonderful feedback.

An extra special thank you to the Rainsford family, Jess, Stuart, Grayson, Esme and Mabel for setting up, managing the stall and being great ambassadors for the school. Watch out for Grayson, a true salesman, who was always looking for the 'upsell'. "Would you like a drink with that?"

Parent Workshops

This term we have held a number of Parent Workshops supporting our families. Earlier in the term, Claire Little and Brooke Flatman conducted an Early Years Literacy workshop for parents to hear about the improved approaches to literacy we are using across our school. The workshop was attended by a significant percentage of our Early Years families with great feedback. Next term we will be extending this to our Upper Primary families.

Courtney Quigley and I also ran a Positive Education / Positive Parenting Workshop this term. Speaking to over 20 families, the session delved into the very important aspect of wellbeing and the proactive approach we are taking here at TWCS. A subject of great passion for both Courtney and I, we are always keen to speak to people about wellbeing. Keep an eye out for the 'Community Coffee Catchup' happening on the morning of Wednesday 29th June in the School Library.

Cybersafety

This week we are fortunate to have the expertise of Cybersafe Families presenters lead our students and parents in understanding what it means to be 'confident and careful creators and users of technology'. The sessions highlight the importance of all parents being vigilant, fully aware and an active part of their child's digital life.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This week I was fortunate enough to attend the celebration of Reconciliation for children from TWCS and the St Aloysius parish. In a small ceremony, the children spent time with their God, reflecting on what it means to be the best version of themselves. A very special thank you to Father Long Hai, Rita Campbell and the Parish Team in preparing these young people for this very important time in the journey through the Sacraments.

Website

We are in the process of updating our website and I'm pleased to say we now have a language drop down box which allows users to convert our webpage into their desired language. This also means our newsletter can be viewed in a different language.

Semester 1 Reports

As we come to the final stages of Term 2, teachers are busily preparing the Mid Year Reports for all children. This report provides families and children a progress grade against the Australian Curriculum elements that have been taught in Semester 1. As parents, how we speak with our children around the report grades and comments is extremely important. Remaining positive, focused on effort allows children to remain growth minded. When we focus our praise or comments on the grade alone, this can develop a fixed mindset in children which limits their ability to be resilient when faced with new learning and challenges. In support of the Mid Year Reports, there will be optional Parent / Teacher Conversations available during the early stages of Term 3.

To support efficiencies in our communication with families, **all reports this year will be sent to parents via email.** The email address the school currently has on file will be the email address used. With the disruptions that many classes faced during Term 1 due to COVID, a decision was made to postpone the delivery of the Reports until **MONDAY WEEK 1, TERM 3** to allow teachers every opportunity to fully assess children's learning achievements.

Finally, we are awaiting to hear from the Director of Catholic Education SA's office to confirm a date for the officially opening of the new building and celebration of 25 years of Tenison Woods Catholic School. We are yet to lock in a date that allows the Director of CESA and Archbishop O'Regan to be in attendance. If you are able to help on the organising committee, please let me know.

I wish you all a wonderful end of Term 2 and rejuvenating Term break. I look forward to continuing our fantastic work in Term 3.

God Bless

Ben



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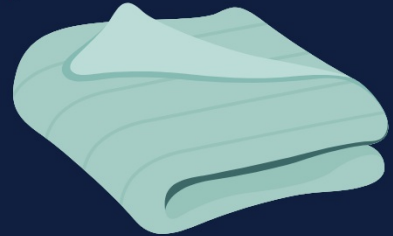
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or gift cards



Please place your donations in our collection bins

While all donations are gratefully accepted, when considering whether something can be donated to Vinnies, our rule of thumb is if you'd give it to a friend, then it's ok to give to Vinnies.

On Friday 24th June – the whole school will be joining the parish at Mass for the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

This celebration calls to mind God's great love for us, visible in the life and mission of Jesus. This day is a celebration of the love and compassion of Jesus for all. It is also part of our school charism with St Mary Mackillop calling her order Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

Sacramental Program

The Sacrament of Reconciliation helps us to acknowledge our humanness and the times we do not make the right choice. Our Catholic faith gives us the opportunity to restore our relationship with God and the person we have wronged through talking to a priest and asking for the gift forgiveness. A number of children in our school and parish will have the opportunity to do this on Wednesday 22nd June. The preparation sessions for the Sacrament of Confirmation will then begin on Wednesday 27th July.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

In this season of Winter, it is time to provide warm clothing and extras for our community. Beanies, scarves, blankets, socks and singlets plus soft toys are need by families. We have two collection bins. Please help by placing items here ready to share with our Vinnie's conference.

Prayer from Reception

This term the Reception children have been learning about Prayer and Sacramentality.

We have discussed how to pray, where to pray, scripture about prayer and of course the songs we can sing as well.

Prayer allows us to build a relationship with God and we know that it can look different for different people. That is why we create sacred spaces in different places around the school: classroom, garden, the church and why we have introduced **guided meditation, actions for songs, liturgical dance and moments of quiet during the day.**

Kind God

We pray for all the people who need our help.

We hope that they stay warm.

We love you very much

Amen

22.06.22

Italian



28th of June

II MERCATO DI TENISON WOODS



All items will be
between cinquanta
centesimi (50C)
and due dollari
(\$2)

The purpose of this market is to show that
we are fluent at speaking in Italian and to
support the winter appeal.

Under The Church Verandah



8:20AM-9:00AM
2:50PM-3:30PM



This term we have been working on a unit called "Il Mercato". Students have been learning about market foods, greetings, and money. They have also been participating in reading, writing and performing mini market role plays. To further enhance their understanding and

use of the Italian language, the Year 6s will be running a mini market stall at school. Woolworths at Hilton have kindly offered to donate fruit for us to sell, and all of the profits will go towards the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

Date: Tuesday 28th of June (week 9)

Time: 8:20am-9am and 2:50pm-3:30pm

Location: Under the church verandah

This is a cash only event, and no pre-orders will be taken via QKR. Parents/Caregivers are more than welcome to purchase items on their child's behalf, but where possible, please send your child to school with the correct change so that they can enjoy the experience of buying fruit items for themselves.

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Performing Arts



In week 6 of this term, a Dance Assembly was held where our wonderful students performed a Dance that they had been working on in their Performing Arts lessons with Kate.

The theme for all the dances was based around never giving up and always trying your hardest, no matter what is thrown at you. As this is exactly what our students have done over the past couple of years, particularly at the beginning of this year when COVID hit our community, the theme couldn't have been more fitting.

What resilient and talented performers we have at Tenison Woods. Well done everyone!

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Sports News



PE News

A big congratulations to Noah for being selected in the Airport District Hockey Team. He will take part in the SAPSASA District Carnival later in the term.

SACPSSA Lacrosse Carnival

On Friday June 17th the Year 3-6 Students attend the SACPSSA Lacrosse Carnival at West Beach. It was a fantastic day for the students and they were able to use the skills developed this term in PE and Lacrosse Clinics. It was great to see them all grow in confidence as the day went on. Well done to all of the students.

Thank you to all of the parent helpers and teachers who supported the teams.

Auskick News

The students have been loving the afterschool Auskick sessions with Mr Cat and a big thank you to Ethan and other teachers for supporting them. We will continue to hold sessions into term 3 after the great success of the program so far.

Cross Country Year 3-6

In the coming week we will commence training for the upcoming SACPSSA Cross Country Carnival. Sessions will commence this Wednesday before school. The team will be selected later in the term. For further details please check Skoolbag. If you would like to attend, please complete the eform.

Katie Cummings

PE Specialist



20.06.22

Parents and Friends News



Hello TWCS Families,

Basketball Jerseys have arrived ready for Term 4. Thank you to Hastwell_ for generously sponsoring our teams & assisting us in purchasing the jerseys along side the P&F fundraising efforts.

We have recently sourced some TWCS golf umbrellas to assist us in our fundraising goals. These are available for purchase for \$25ea on QKR! and in the uniform shop. Perfect to have handy in the car for the winter sports season!

The Federal Election BBQ & Bake Sale was hugely successful! It was lovely to see many families past, present and future, pop in to support the school and say hello. A massive thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the prep, set up, cooking, serving and donating baked goods. Thank you to Joe & Joe's Fruit & Veg (The Sergi Family) for donating the onions for the day. Thank you Stuart, Grayson, Esmé & Mabel, Mark, Kirsty, Nick, Michelle, Ryan, Una & Erin, Rachel, Alison, Rebecca, Scott, Marissa, Ally, Gen, Rachel, Stav, Catherine and Laurel. We made just over \$2,000 profit that has gone towards the basketball jerseys & table & benches for the staff outdoor area.

The P&F have begun discussion regarding cultural lunch days for the children & staff. We are hoping to showcase the diverse cultures that our amazing community consists of. We are hoping to possibly tie these lunches with days of celebration (eg, Diwali, Mid-Autumn Festival, Eid). If you have any ideas, traditional family recipes or are able to assist us in preparing and cooking for a lunch, please contact the P&F via email (pandf@twcs.catholic.edu.au).

Our next meeting will be held this Thursday at 7pm, directly after the Cyber Safety Session. Our meetings are now held in person (Covid restrictions permitting) at the school **AND** via teams. We will send out a invitation link to the meeting prior to each date if you would like to attend but are unable to do so in person.

If you have any suggestions/feedback, please contact us via email or attend our next meeting (below). We would love to see some new faces!

Up coming events

- Cyber Safety Workshop 23rd June 6-7pm
- Next P&F Meeting will be held on Thursday 23rd June at 7pm at the school and via teams.
- Bunnings BBQ August 6th

Cheers,

Jess Rainsford

Congratulations Sarah & Heather

CONGRATULATIONS

Heather & Sarah



Congratulations to Sarah Byrne and Heather Docherty who have been awarded by the Department of Education for achieving Lead Teacher status by the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL).

Highly Accomplished and Lead Teacher (HALT) accreditation recognises and rewards highly innovative and exemplary expert teachers who routinely work independently and collaboratively to improve their practice and the practice of colleagues.

An award ceremony at the Adelaide Convention Centre on June 3 celebrated over 50 teachers from Catholic Education, Department of Education and the Independent sector who have successfully achieved certification during the last 12 months or renewed their certification after 5 years.

The Registrar of the Teachers Registration Board of SA, Leonie Paulson, hosted the ceremony and the Honourable Blair Boyer, Minister for Education presented the certificates while acknowledging the commitment of certified teachers to supporting their students, their colleagues and their own development.

Certification of Highly Accomplished and Lead teachers has three purposes:

recognising and promoting quality teaching

providing an opportunity for teachers to reflect on their practice

providing a reliable indication of quality teaching that can be used to identify, recognise and/or reward Highly Accomplished and Lead teachers.

Achieving this level of certification is a rigorous process, requiring the teachers involved to reflect on their practice and show evidence collected over the previous five years of their impact on colleagues and students across the 7 standards and 37 descriptors of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers. These descriptors include knowing their students and how they learn, the content and how to teach it, and creating and maintaining supportive and safe learning environments, amongst others.

“Nationally certified teachers are highly regarded by their colleagues and are seen as teachers who achieve great outcomes for their student’s learning and wellbeing,” says John Mula OAM, Deputy Director, Catholic Education South Australia.

“They demonstrate the values of the Catholic ethos and contribute positively and respectfully to their school communities and more broadly to Catholic Education South Australia.”

Congratulations to the 2022 cohort of Lead & Highly Accomplished Teachers!

23.06.22

Community Coffee Catchup



Coffee Catchup

Join us for a coffee and catchup for parents and carers.

Let's chat, create connections, support each other and work towards positive parenting outcomes.

Wednesday, 29th June 2022

9.00am

Meet in the Beehive



Join us for a coffee and catch up on Wednesday, 29th June 2022 at 9am in the Beehive.

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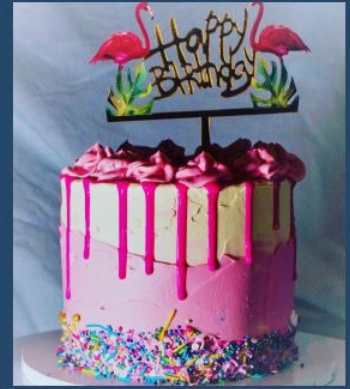
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